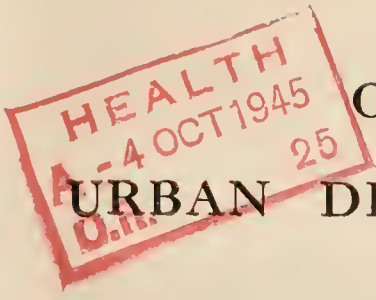


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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH,

B. ROWORTH TURNER,

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August, 1945.

TO THE OUNDLE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

LADIES AND GENTLEMEN,

I beg to report on the Health of the Town during 1944.

The town stands at a height varying from 60 to 200 feet above sea-level.

It comprises an area of 2,075 acres, exclusive of that covered by water.

The Registrar-General's estimate of the population is 2,604.

There are 637 inhabited houses, according to the Rate books, at the end of 1944.

The Rateable Value is £18,394.

A penny Rate represents £74.

The principal industry is a brewery and general shops : there are no factories.

There is an important Public School with over 600 resident scholars, a Grammar School and two Elementary Schools.

Vital Statistics.

		Male.	Female.
LIVE BIRTHS=45	... ..	17	28
	Legitimate	14	24
	Illegitimate	3	4
STILL BIRTHS	... ..	0	0

The Birth Rate is 17·2 per 1000.

There were no deaths of children under one year—

Infantile Death Rate = 0 per 1000.

DEATHS.—There were 23 Deaths.	Male.	Female.
	11	12
Giving a Death Rate of	8·8 per 1000.	
Deaths from Cancer	5	
No deaths from Tuberculosis ; nor any other Zymotic disease.		
Notifications : Scarlet Fever	2	
	Diphtheria	1

This was later proved not to be Diphtheria.

	Under 5 years.	5 years and under 15.
DIPHTHERIA IMMUNIZATION.		

Number of children who were

immunized during the year 1944 21 24

General Provision of Health Services for the Area.

MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.—B. R. Turner, B.A., M.B., B.Ch. Cambridge.

SURVEYOR AND SANITARY INSPECTOR.—Mr. H. W. Bolton, M. Inst. M. & Cy. Eng., Cert. R.S.I.

DISTRICT NURSE.—Miss Missen, C.M.B., S.R.N.

HEALTH VISITOR.—Miss Miller.

HOSPITAL.—There is a Public Assistance Infirmary, of which I am the Medical Officer.

AMBULANCE.—An excellent Ambulance is always available, in charge of the St. John Ambulance Association.

Sanitary Circumstances of the Area.

Oundle is a clean town and the streets are well kept.

WATER.—The supply is good both in quality and quantity. Quarterly analyses are made and others if necessary.

The water is softened and chlorinated.

DRAINAGE AND SEWERAGE.—These are both efficient and in good order.

PUBLIC CLEANSING.—Refuse is cleared twice weekly.

RIVER.—There is no pollution of the river.

SHOPS.—See Sanitary Inspector's Report.

SMOKE ABATEMENT.—No nuisance has arisen from smoke.

SWIMMING BATHS AND POOL.—There is a bathing place in the river under the Council's direction and supervision.

Oundle School has a large open-air swimming bath.

ERADICATION OF BED BUGS.—No case has arisen.

Schools.

There is a Council and a Church of England School, also a Public School and Laxton Grammar School.

Housing.

More houses are needed.

It has been a good health year.

Birth Rate is higher and Death Rate lower.

I append the Surveyor's Report.

I am,

Yours faithfully,

B. R. TURNER,

Medical Officer of Health,

Oundle Urban District Council.

Oundle Urban District Council.

**ANNUAL REPORT OF SURVEYOR, WATER
ENGINEER AND SANITARY INSPECTOR.**

TO THE MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH.

SIR,

I herewith submit my Report of work carried out for the year ended 31st December, 1944.

Public Water Supply.

A pure and constant Water Supply has been maintained throughout the year. The consumption is high.

Main Sewers.

The Main Sewers have been regularly inspected and flushed and are in good order.

Sewage Outfall Works.

The Sewage Outfall Works have been well maintained.

Food Inspection.

On request the undermentioned food was condemned as unfit for human consumption.

33 tins of Food.
162 lbs. of Meat.
14½ cwts. of Beans and Peas.
207 lbs. of Fish.
120 Meat Pies.
178 lbs. of Butter.
67 lbs. of Cheese.

Infectious Disease.

All infected houses were fumigated and all bedding and clothes treated at the Public Institution in the Steam Disinfector.

Milk and Dairies Order.

Regular inspections have been made during the year. Improvements have been carried out to the Dairy Farms. Tuberculin tested milk is being produced by Mr. S. Rowell at the Stoke Road Dairy Farm.

Clean Milk Production (Keeping Quality).

24 samples of Raw and T.T. Milk were taken during the year.

3 samples of T.T. Milk were designated Good.

1 sample of T.T. Milk was designated Moderate.

16 samples of Raw Milk were designated Good.

4 samples of Raw Milk were designated Moderate.

Houses Examined showing Cause for Action.

Infectious Disease	...	...	...	<i>nil</i>
Dirty Houses	...	...	...	1
Overcrowding	...	...	...	1
Defective Drainage and Fittings	...	...	...	44
Other Causes	...	...	...	9

NUMBER OF NOTICES SERVED.

1. Statutory	...	...	...	<i>nil</i>
2. Preliminary and Letters	...	...	...	45

INSPECTIONS OTHER THAN NUISANCES.

Works in Progress	...	...	...	53
Bakehouses, Dairies, Cowsheds, and Workshops and Bakehouses	...	...	...	26

Drainage and Sanitation.

Improvements have been carried out to 44 houses.

Yours truly,

H. W. BOLTON,

M. Inst. M. & Cy. Eng., Cert. R.S.I.,

Water Engineer, Surveyor,
and Sanitary Inspector.

March 3rd, 1945.

